REMARKS

In said Office Action, an election requirement was raised to pending claims 1-74. The claims were placed in 6 groups: group I (claims 1-23, 39-40 and 56-59) drawn to a GDNF protein; group II (claims 24-25) drawn to a biochemical purification method; group III (claims 26-36 and 42-55) drawn to DNA encoding GDNF, host cells and a recombinant method of production; group IV (claims 37-38, 41 and 63-69) drawn to a method of treating a patient using GDNF; group V (claims 60-62) drawn to an antibody; and group VI (claims 70-74) drawn to an implantation device.

The Applicants hereby elect group III, claims 26-36 and 42-55, without traverse. It is believed that this election does not affect the inventorship of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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